



## Boats on Interior Lakes Program

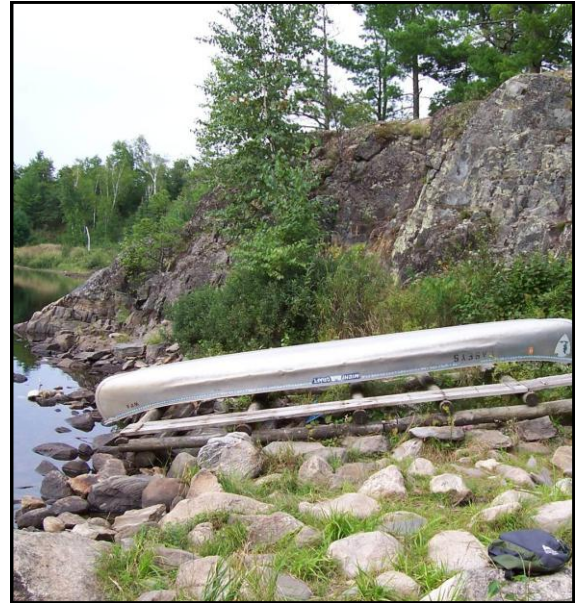
### What is it?

The interior lakes of the Kabetogama Peninsula offer a variety of hiking, camping, and fishing opportunities. To help you enjoy your experience, Voyageurs National Park rents canoes and rowboats at nine sites on the Kabetogama Peninsula.

### Where are the boats and canoes?

#### *Locator Lake*

Locator Lake can be reached by a 2 mile, one-way trail that begins on the north side of Kabetogama Lake. There are several canoes and boats at this site; some are for day-use only while others are for overnight use.



Ek Lake Canoe

#### *Quill Lake*

To access Quill Lake, visitors must canoe from Locator Lake to War Club Lake. A short portage trail exists between the far northeast corner of War Club Lake and the western edge of Quill Lake. The Quill canoe is stored at the end of the portage trail.

#### *Little Shoepack Lake & Shoepack Lake*

Little Shoepack Lake and Shoepack Lake can be reached if you start from Lost Bay on Kabetogama Lake and follow the trail to Jorgens Lake. The trail from Jorgens to Little Shoepack is not maintained. Pick up directions when you check out the key. Accessing these lakes can be difficult and requires the use of topographic maps and a compass. Boats on both lakes must be reserved.

#### *Ek Lake*

To access Ek Lake hike in from Lost Bay on Kabetogama Lake. The canoe is located on the south end of the lake at the end of the trail.

#### *Cruiser Lake*

Cruiser Lake may be reached along the Cruiser Lake trail via a 4.5 mile hike from Lost Bay on Kabetogama Lake or a 4.4 mile hike from Anderson Bay on Rainy Lake.

#### *Brown Lake*

The canoe on Brown Lake can be reached by hiking in from Browns Bay on Rainy Lake.

#### *Peary Lake*

The canoe on Peary Lake is accessible from a short trail in Finger Bay on Rainy Lake.

## Planning

- Pets are not allowed in the backcountry.
- Overnight camping permits are required.
- All individuals must bring and wear a U.S.C.G. approved personal flotation device (lifejacket).
- A boat or canoe reservation on an interior lake does not guarantee the use of the campsite on that lake.
- Trailheads to the interior lakes can be reached by private boat or by water taxi. A list of local businesses providing water taxi service is available in the park's newspaper, the *Rendezvous*.
- Boats and paddles must be returned and locked in the storage area.
- Keys must be returned to the visitor center by noon the day after the boat is used. Keys may be left in the "drop boxes" outside the visitor centers.
- Boat lock keys may be checked out at the visitor centers between noon on the day before the reservation and 10 a.m. on the day of the reservation.
- When picking up the key, visitors will review and sign a special use permit and pay the \$10/day per boat fee.
- Payment must be made by cash or check.

## Available Boats

| Lake                     | Number of<br>canoes | Number of<br>rowboats | Limit of<br>days | Limit of<br>nights | Reservations and key<br>pick up location |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|--|
| Brown                    | 1                   |                       | 3                | 2                  | Rainy Lake                               |
| Cruiser                  | 1                   |                       | 3                | 2                  | Kabetogama / Ash River                   |
| Ek                       | 1                   |                       | 3                | 2                  | Kabetogama / Ash River                   |
| Little Shoepack/Shoepack | 1                   | 1                     | 3                | 2                  | Kabetogama / Ash River                   |
| Locator – overnight      | 2                   |                       | 3                | 2                  | Kabetogama / Ash River                   |
| Locator – day use        | 5                   | 2                     | 1                |                    | Kabetogama / Ash River                   |
| Peary                    | 1                   |                       | 3                | 2                  | Rainy Lake                               |
| Quill                    | 1                   |                       | 3                | 2                  | Kabetogama / Ash River                   |

## Reservations

Reservations may be made up to one week in advance in person or by calling the following visitor centers between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Rainy Lake: (218) 286-5258

Kabetogama Lake: (218) 875-2111

Ash River: (218) 374-3221 (key pick up only)